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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-22, product claims drawn to a coated heat shrinkable article, classified in class 428, subclass 500+, without traverse.

As provided in MPEP Chapter 821.04, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to rejoin non-elected process claims in Group II, Claims 22-36, drawn to a method of coating a heat shrinkable film with an aqueous coating composition, classified in class 427, subclass 372.2.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, he is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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